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FROM CHARGE'

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PLOS, AU

SUBJECT: LOS: MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY ON LOS AND INITIAL
AUSTRIAN REACTION

REF: STATE 190812

1. IN ABSENCE OF FOREIGN MINISTER, I RAISED SUBJECT WITH
RANKING MFA OFFICIAL, ACTING SECRETARY GENERAL AND POLITICAL
DIRECTOR STEINER ON AFTERNOON AUGUST 3. I REVIEWED TALKING
POINTS CONTAINED PARA 2 REFTEL, EMPHASIZING MAJOR IMPORTANCE
USG ATTACHES TO ACHIEVING ACCEPTABLE LOS TREATY AT CURRENT
ROUND OF TALKS AND GAVE STEINER TEXT OF SECRETARY'S MESSAGE.

2. STEINER RESPONDED THAT GOA SHARES SECRETARY'S VIEWPOINT
OF IMPORTANCE OF MAKING MAJOR EFFORT AT CURRENT SESSION TO
REACH VIABLE AGREEMENT. OTHERWISE, AS STEINER NOTED,
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COMPLETE CHAOS WILL PREVAIL. HE NOTED THAT AUSTRIAN AND US

POSITIONS ON CERTAIN ISSUES WERE NOT IDENTICAL BUT
REITERATED AUSTRIAN STANDPOINT THAT ITS DELEGATION IS
UNDER INSTRUCTIONS TO MAKE MAXIMUM EFFORT TO REACH
ACCEPTABLE AGREEMENT AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT BOTH
DELEGATIONS WOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH ONE ANOTHER IN
ATTEMPT TO WORK OUT CONSENSUS ON OPEN ISSUES. HE
INDICATED HE WOULD PASS ON SUBSTANCE OF SECRETARY'S
MESSAGE TO VACATIONING FONMIN.MEEHAN

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